

Acknowledgment

The Bernalillo County Board of County Commissioners
does hereby acknowledge

Susan Seligman
New Mexico Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League

ACKNOWLEDGING, that after serving for 25 years, Susan Seligman is stepping down as the New Mexico Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League, one of the nation’s premier civil rights agencies; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, that the mission of the ADL is to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment for all citizens alike; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, as ADL’s leader in New Mexico, Susan Seligman has often said that fighting prejudice, discrimination, and anti-Semitism has been her life’s work; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, Susan Seligman brought a pro-active approach to fighting hate through education, law enforcement, the media, and through intergroup relations and legislation, leading the way in passing anti-terrorism and hate crime laws in New Mexico; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, Susan Seligman was instrumental in the decision to no longer honor a Nazi doctor at the Space Hall of Fame in Alamogordo; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, one of Susan Seligman’s proudest achievements was developing a program for Jewish/Hispanic relations called “!Celebrate!...the Jewish Experience in Spanish Speaking Countries”; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, most recently, Seligman has spearheaded a national program titled “Imagine a World Without Hate”; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, Susan Seligman has received numerous awards, including the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award, 2010; the ADL Senn/Greenberg Award for Professional Excellence, 2009; the New Mexico Humanitarian Award, 2009; the Governor's Award for Outstanding NM Women, 2001; the Albuquerque Human Rights Award, 1998; and the New Mexico Commission on the Status of Women Trailblazer Award, 1991; and

ACKNOWLEDGING, Susan Seligman serves as an inspiration to Bernalillo County residents, young and old, for fighting for civil rights and dignity for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernalillo County Board of County Commissioners does hereby recognize Susan Seligman and thanks her for her 25 years of service to benefit all residents.

DONE, this 25th day of March, 2014, in Bernalillo County, State of New Mexico.

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